Resolution No: 15-1620

Introduced: <u>September 19</u>, 2006 Adopted: October 3, 2006

COUNTY COUNCIL FOR MONTGOMERY COUNTY, MARYLAND

By: County Council

SUBJECT: Categorical Transfer Among Major Categories #07-136

FY06 Operating Budget

Montgomery County Public Schools

\$7,050,000

Background

- 1. Section 5-105 of the Education Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland provides for transfers among major categories of the Operating Budget of the Board of Education only with the approval of the County Council.
- 2. The County Executive received on July 27, 2006, the Board of Education's request for a transfer among state categories as follows:

Category	Description	From	To
ı	Administration	\$ 400,000	
2	Mid-level Administration	100,000	
3	Instructional Salaries	6,150,000	
5	Other Instructional Costs	400,000	
9	Student Transportation		\$2,250,000
10	Operation of Plant and Equipment		2,400,000
12	Fixed Charges		2,400,000
	Totals	\$7,050,000	\$7,050,000

3. The Board of Education has requested authorization to make an FY06 categorical transfer to align budgeted appropriations with actual expenditures. This request would offset deficits in Student Transportation (Category 9), Operation of Plant and Equipment (Category 10), and Fixed Charges (Category 12) by transferring surpluses from Administration (Category 1), Mid-level Administration (Category 2), Instructional Salaries (Category 3), and Other Instructional Costs (Category 5).

- 4. The surpluses in the categories noted above were due primarily to greater than anticipated lapse savings, including the savings from not filling teaching and support positions related to lower than projected enrollment in elementary schools. The deficit in Student Transportation was the result of rising fuel costs and that in Operation of Plant and Equipment due to higher costs for natural gas, heating oil, and electricity. The deficit in Fixed Charges was caused mainly by an increased contribution to the Employee Benefit Plan as recommended by the County Council benefits consultant.
- 5. The County Executive recommends approval of this transfer.

Action

The County Council for Montgomery County, Maryland, approves the following action:

The FY06 Operating Budget of the Montgomery County Public Schools is hereby amended, and a transfer of appropriation is approved as follows:

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This is a correct copy of Council action.

Linda M. Lauer, Clerk of the Council